AUTONATION, INC.

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Stephan Michael J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

AUTONATION, INC. [AN]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

200 SW 1ST AVE, SUITE 1600

(Month/Day/Year) 09/02/2014

10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

VP - Corporate Controller

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Transactionof **Expiration Date** Code Derivative (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. I Underlying Securities Dei (Instr. 3 and 4) Sec

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Securit Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)		red sed 3, 4,	ed ed					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 54.04	09/02/2014		A		965		<u>(1)</u>	03/03/2024	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	965	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Stephan Michael J			VP -					
200 SW 1ST AVE SUITE 1600			Corporate					
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301			Controller					

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan P. Ferrando, 09/04/2014 Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Date

(1) The option becomes exercisable in 25% annual increments on each of the first four anniversaries of June 1, 2014, subject to continuous employment with the Company.

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